

HE KILLED HIMSELF.

George Wells, a Well Known Martin's Ferry Man,

HANGS HIMSELF FROM THE CEILING

Of His Room Saturday and is Not Discovered Until Several Hours Later—Had Been Sick Since Christmas, and Had an Idea he was Going to the Poor House.

Nothing has shocked the people of Martin's Ferry in years more than the suicide of Mr. George Wells by hanging on Saturday. He hanged himself to a steeple in his bedroom, at his home on Walnut street, about noon on Saturday, but this was not known until after 9 o'clock that night when his body was discovered hanging to the ceiling, by Mr. Joseph Frazier, a neighbor.

Mr. Wells took a walk in the morning, stopping at the Times office, where his brother Mr. Joseph Wells works and started for home shortly after 11 o'clock, walking leisurely and addressing his friends as he passed them. He passed Reynolds' tailoring establishment on Hanover street, a few minutes after eleven and spoke pleasantly to Mr. Reynolds, who noticed that he looked unwell. At the corner of Hanover and Fourth street Mr. J. C. Gray and Miss Hannah Bird passed him, and the latter remarked to Mr. Gray "My, Mr. Wells looks like a skeleton." Wells continued homeward at a slow gait. Mr. Joseph Frazier who resides next door to the residence of Mr. A. D. Newland, on Walnut street and there saw Wells and talked with him a short time. Wells said he was little if any better, but was unusually benighted by taking a little walk which he had been doing. He walked into Newland's and after warming his hands went up stairs to his room and nothing was heard of him until he was found a corpse about ten hours later.

Mr. Wells had been sick and unable to work since Christmas and spent a great deal of his time in his room, sleeping when he could, preferring to do this to eating, it being hard for him to sleep.

When dinner was ready Mrs. Newland called Wells and receiving no response she supposed he was asleep and did not care to disturb him, knowing that he would not care to be aroused, if asleep. Dinner over Mrs. Newland went to Bridgeport, the first day she has been away since his illness, to spend a few hours with her relative, Mrs. Van Pelt, who will soon go to Chicago, and she did not return until evening. The house was left in charge of her oldest daughter Maud, and the servant, a colored girl.

Wells did not appear during the afternoon, and when supper was ready he was called. Mr. Ad. Newland being busy at his shoe store did not go to supper and it was sent to him. Seven o'clock came, and still Wells did not come down stairs. After Mrs. Newland's return all became uneasy and word was sent to Mr. Joseph Frazier, who was down town. He returned shortly after 9 o'clock and was asked to come in and go to Mr. Wells's room and see if anything had happened. The hall was dark, as also was the room occupied by Mr. Wells, and they hesitated about going in. Mr. Frazier replied, "why, certainly." When he entered, Mrs. Newland, who is a model woman, said: "Mr. Frazier, walk up easily and open the door as quietly as possible, so as not to awaken George, if he is asleep."

Mr. Frazier did so, and instead of finding Wells in bed a ghastly sight met his view. The body of the unfortunate man was hanging to the ceiling with straps around his neck, his body cold and stiff. Frazier staggered at the sight and cried out to the ladies, who were at the foot of the stairway, "My God, he's dead." To this one said, "Why, has he killed himself?" and Frazier then told them what had happened.

Frazier called his brother John and John Burns, who are neighbors, and Mr. Newland was sent for. The four unfastened the straps and placed his body on the bed near by. His neck was badly discolored and his face white. The neck was not broken, and death had been caused by strangulation.

When first discovered his body was hanging to the ceiling with his back facing the door and his head dropped to the right. The strap around his neck was almost buried in the flesh on the back part of the neck.

Wells, it seems, had hunted up two strong valise straps, buckled them together, placed a chair in the centre of the room, stood upon this, fastened the straps to the lamp hook in the ceiling, doubled the two, making a noose out of them, placed this around his neck, then stepped or jumped from the chair. His head was only a foot below the staple and his feet a little less than that distance from the floor.

He had placed his hat and gloves on the bed and had not removed his overcoat.

At first the men hesitated about taking the body down until the coroner arrived, so this was not done until an attorney had been seen.

Undertaker Frank Zink was called, and a telegram was sent to the sister of the unfortunate man at Brainerd, Minn.

The pockets were all searched and nothing found except a small comb. Mr. Wells had placed his pocket book and papers in a drawer and the keys were left hanging to it. It was thought that a note might have been written by Wells, explaining why he killed himself, but nothing of this kind was found in his pockets or in the room, which is a nicely furnished one. Another search was made yesterday without success. He had not even intimated suicide to any of the family. He had been in poor health for many years and often said that he had experienced sufficient suffering to kill a dozen men. His affliction was dyspepsia and nervousness. He had found it difficult to rest well and for ten years has found it necessary to take bromide to make him sleep. This was productive of sleep, and the terrible drug, the quantity of which was increased from time to time in order to do the work, finally wrecked his entire system and effected his mind. Dr. Fisher, of Bridgeport, who had been attending him, stopped the use of bromide and said that Mr. Wells was liable to die at any time.

Wells was a pattern stove fitter by trade and had been employed at Spence, Jones & Co.'s for many years. He had not been able to work since December. Since a mere boy he feared that he might become indigent in later years and thought that he must be industrious and work steady in order to accumulate some of the world's goods, and had saved a snug sum of money. He said that he was afraid he would have to go to the poor house.

To his intimate friends he sometimes said that when a person was a constant sufferer with disease he believed he was justified in taking his own life.

The deceased was forty-five years old, but looked younger. He was tall and

good looking. He was a man of strictly moral habits, genial, honest and temperate and had the respect of a community proud to own him. Somehow he imagined lately that no person cared for him, which was erroneous.

He was the son of the late Cadwalder Wells one of the pioneers of Martin's Ferry. He has but one brother, Joseph Wells, a compositor on the Martin's Ferry Times and two sisters, Mrs. A. D. Newland, of Martin's Ferry, with whom he has lived since his mother's death, and Mrs. Isaac Dean, of Brainerd, Minnesota.

The time of the funeral will not be fixed until the sister in Minnesota is heard from.

W. P. Lowman, the Belmont county coroner came up from Bellaire yesterday to hold an inquest but the relatives objected and none was held, this being entirely unnecessary.

WHEELING BALL PLAYERS.

Top-Notchers and Favorites in the Grand Stand and Bleachers.

Philadelphia and Cincinnati have each claimed the distinction of being the banner base ball towns of the country, and made the respective claim that those cities have sent out into the base ball world more noted ball players than any other city. The Queen City seems to have had the best of the argument, having headed the list with such well known players as "Buck" and John Ewing, of the New Yorks, "Long John" Reilly, and "Bid" McPhee and others.

Taking into consideration the preponderance in population, however, Wheeling and its near-by neighbors can fairly claim to knock out both Cincinnati and Philadelphia in the number of first-class ball players who have gained fame on the diamond.

Among some of the veterans who own Wheeling as their home are: "Jack" Glasscock, the acknowledged leading short-stop, for a long time a member of that aggregation of stars, the Indianapolis team. Later he was with New York, and last season was with the St. Louis Browns. He is with the latter team now, and leaves for the Missouri metropolis in a few days.

Jesse Burkett, of the Cleveland league team, is one of the most brilliant fielders in the profession. Like many other players he started in as a pitcher, but soon left that position and went into left field. The Cleveland team is noted for brilliant fielders, and Burkett is perhaps the best of the lot.

"Sammy" Nichols is another Wheeling lad who has made his mark in the "profess." He is a fielder, and a good stickler, as many a pitcher can attest. Last season he was with Toledo of the Western League. This season he goes to Savannah of the Southern League and leaves for the land of orange blossoms in a few days.

"Mike" Hobbright, another good player, formerly of the Wheeling and other teams, goes to the Southern League this season, as do "Bob" and George Westlake, who live over the river at Bellaire.

"Joe" Miller, who made a hit up in the Northwest, and formerly was on the Louisville and Savannah teams, will probably play again with the St. Pauls.

Perk Kennedy, another Bellairian, first made his mark in '89 with the Wheeling club. Next season found him out at Denver where he did good work. McGinnis, of the big Brooklyn league team, picked him up and he has remained in the city at the end of the big bridge ever since. This season it is expected he will do effective twirling.

"Parson" Nicholson lives down at Bellaire, and is one of the best known men on the diamond. Last season he managed the Toledo team, and will probably manage and play second base for one of the southern league teams.

"Billy" George is a veteran. Several years ago he was a pitcher on the famous New York Giants. His great trouble was wildness; he was one of the most erratic of pitchers, and on this account had all the big league batmen intimidated. Leaving the pitcher's box George took to the field, and has done so well in minor leagues that Comiskey has signed him for Cincinnati. Among other Wheeling boys, who are well known in the base ball world, are Sam Barkley, formerly of Pittsburgh and St. Louis, now retired; and "Jack" Croghan, one of the best catchers that ever donned the mitts. "Jack," for the past year, has been off the diamond on account of a bad leg, but he hopes to be "wid de boys" soon.

Such valuable players as Curt Welsh, Charley Bennett, Billy Glenavlin, George Williamson and Delahanty did their first work in Wheeling teams, and Manager A. Buckenberger, of the Pittsburghs, started out at the head of a local team.

PUBLIC SCHOOL EXHIBIT

Of the Bellaire Schools for the Columbian Exposition at Chicago.

The public reception at the Central school buildings at Bellaire Saturday afternoon from 2 to 4 o'clock for the inspection of paper work in language, arithmetic, geography, original definitions and general information and drawing by every pupil in the schools, was attended by many parents and hundreds of the pupils. Superintendent Mannix, of Martin's Ferry, and Superintendent Bethel, of Flushing, were also present and unreservedly commended the work. The drawing was the feature that attracted most attention, as it had been given out that selections would be made from the drawing papers to send to the Columbian exposition, and the best of these papers are to be bound and sent to the school department of the World's Fair.

The other features that were generally commended were the original definitions, the picture stories and the penmanship. The exhibit and the public reception for general inspection of the work excited more than ordinary interest in the work of the schools and the teachers and Superintendent Jones decided that they would hold another Saturday afternoon reception of this character sometime this term. Mr. John D. VanLaw, a member of the Board of Education, was present and took great interest in the work and in the appreciation manifested by the teachers of the general public interest that had been aroused. Other members of the board would have been present but the short notice of the affair prevented their attendance.

FUNERAL OF A MARTIN'S FERRY MAN.

Eight hundred persons attended the funeral of the late Charles M. Timberlake from the M. E. church yesterday afternoon. Rev. A. W. Butts, the pastor, officiated and paid a very high tribute to the memory of the deceased as a Christian, citizen and Mason. The Masonic fraternity, of which Mr. Timberlake was a member, attended in a body and had charge of the funeral. Masons were present from all of the neighboring towns. The choir, consisting of Messrs. Krump, McKee, Ervin and Morris, and Misses Carmichael, Crossley and Hopkins, sang "Falm of Victory." "In Thine Hand, O Lord, is our life." The full choir, Messrs. Meers, Thompson, Pugh, J. O. Padenford, Aaron Black and Eugene Blanchard, of Martin's Ferry, and William Creighton, Robert

Clark, Joseph Wheeler and G. W. Sanford, of Wheeling, all Masons. The interment was at Riverview cemetery.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES.

Council Committee on Committees Names Council Committees.

The Council committee on committees met again Saturday night and completed the task commenced the preceding evening, viz., the selection of the personnel of the various committees of Council. This list will be submitted to Council at its meeting to-morrow evening.

The committee had more trouble with the railroad committee than any other, and had to adjourn Friday night, as it was evident it would take hours to complete that important committee to the satisfaction of everyone. At Saturday night's meeting more time was given to the consideration of this same committee than to all the others, and it seems that the committee as formulated does not satisfy the entire committee on committees.

The complete list as it now stands is: Accounts—Maxwell, Brock and Grimm. Cemeteries—Irwin, Filan, Britt, Caddie, Haller and Deiters. Claims—Paul, Hadlich, Dobbins, Zwickler, Filan, Killeen, Caddie and Knoke.

Contracts—Zulauf, Burke, Hamilton, Richards, Weidbusch and Farrell. Elections—Kenney, Milligan, Dobbins, Knoke, O'Malley, Farrell, Robinson and Menkemiller.

Equalization and Appeals—Robertson, Krotter, Kalbitzer, Robinson, Zwickler, Weidbusch, Haller and Bachmann.

Finance—Otto, Wheat, Maxwell, Weidbusch, Richards, Grimm, Brock and Gruse.

Fire—Dobbins, Otto, Horstmann, Milligan, Filan, Irwin, Dinger and Robertson.

Health—Deiters, Israel, Warneke, Morningstar, Hadlich, Farrell, Caddie and Caldwell.

Lights—Horstmann, Robinson, Menkemiller, Burke, Zwickler, Hupp Britt and Paul.

Markets—Krotter, Kalbitzer, Bachmann, Zwickler, Menkemiller and Haller.

Ordinances—Kenney, Richards, Dobbins, Robertson, Weidbusch, Gruse, Robinson and Zulauf.

Petitions and Remonstrances—Knoke, Killeen, Brill, Warneke, Caddie, Hadlich, Haller and Otto.

Police—Frew, Richards, Brock, Farrell, Warneke, Irwin, Robinson and Morningstar.

Railroads—Frow, Richards, Brock, Grimm, Menkemiller, Caldwell, Hamilton and Zulauf.

Real Estate—Paul, Britt, Hupp, Farrell, Menkemiller, O'Malley, Dinger and Horstmann.

Salaries—Israel, Brill, Bachmann, Caldwell, Robinson and Paul.

Scales—Kalbitzer, Caddie, Killeen, Warneke, Zwickler, Hupp, Hadlich and Paul.

Streets, Alleys and Grades—Kenney, Milligan, Dobbins, Grimm, Menkemiller, Krotter, Robinson and Knoke.

Water Works—Caddie, Zwickler, Burke, Filan, Haller, Kalbitzer, Britt and Grimm.

Wharves—Dobbins, Paul, Weidbusch, O'Malley, Maxwell and Wheat.

The first branch not being composed of as many members but entitled to as much representation as the second, is of course on committees more numerous than are the second branches. A list is given below showing the number of committees on which the various members have been placed.

Caddie, six; Caldwell, three; Dobbins, six; Farrell, five; Grimm, six; Haller, five; Horstmann, three; Irwin, three; Kalbitzer, four; Menkemiller, six; Hadlich, four; Otto, three; Paul, six; Richards, five; Robinson, seven; Weidbusch, five.

Second Branch—Bachman, three; Brock, four; Brill, two; Britt, four; Burke, three; Deiters, two; Dinger, two; Filan, four; Frow, two; Gruse, two; Hamilton, two; Hupp, three; Israel, two; Kenney, three; Killeen, three; Knoke, four; Krotter, three; Maxwell, three; Milligan, three; Morningstar, three; O'Malley, four; Robertson, three; Warneke, four; Wheat, two; Zwickler, three; Zulauf, three, and Zwickler, three.

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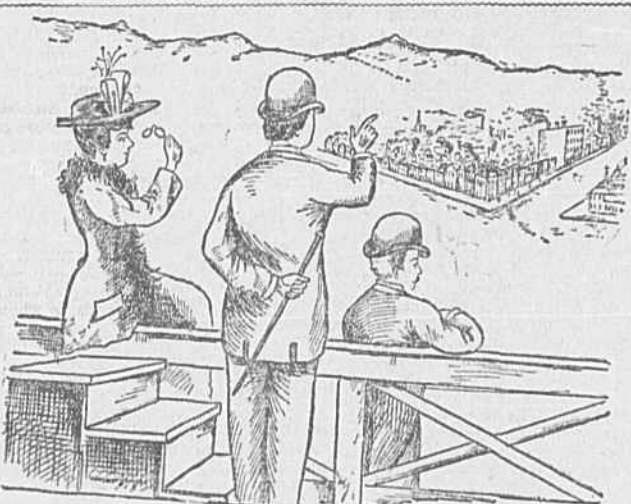
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